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IN RE APPLICATION OF

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FOR: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY
DEVICE AND METHOD FOR
MANUFACTURING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2003, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group II, Claims 14-17, drawn to an LCD device in part reciting a pressure applied to the substrates and containing spacer distribution densities which should also include Claims 1-7.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-13 and 18-24, drawn to a method of manufacturing a liquid crystal device having projections of a plurality of recited area occupying ratios, applying various ranging pressures to substrates, and sealing an injection port for a specified period of time; and

Group II: Claims 14-17, drawn to an LCD device in part reciting a pressure applied to the substrates and containing spacer distribution densities.